

Congresswoman Louise M. Slaughter (D-NY-28), Chairwoman of the House Committee on Rules, applauded news that the family of former Congressman Jack Kemp has announced they will donate his papers to the Library of Congress.

"I am delighted that the writings and works of Jack Kemp will make their home in the Library of Congress," said Slaughter. "With his works in our nation's most prestigious library the rest of the nation will have the opportunity to better discover what we in Western New York already know: that he was a thoughtful and reasoned public servant; he made us proud. The placement of his papers in the Library of Congress is a fitting tribute to such a distinguished American."

The collection includes works from Kemp's 18 years in Congress, 4 years at the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and records from his bid for the presidency and vice presidency. It will also include family photographs, a portion of his personal library and photos and video from his professional football career. The collection is currently housed at Pepperdine University in Malibu, California.

Visitors will be able to see the collection in the Library of Congress Manuscript Division located in the James Madison Building at 101 Independence Avenue. The Library has not announced when the collection will be opened to the public.

Last month, Kemp posthumously received the 2009 Presidential Medal of Freedom.